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## ***Board of Education***

Beaver County School District

Meeting Date: July 12, 2016

Last Revised: July 13, 2016

The following are minutes taken from the Regular Board Meeting, of the Beaver County School District Board of Education, held on July 12, 2016. This meeting was conducted at the Belknap Elementary School located at Belknap Elementary, 510 North 650 East, Beaver, Utah 84713

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### **Board Member Attendance:**

- Board President—Nicholas Dotson (Precinct 2): Present
- Board Vice President—Carolyn White (Precinct 1): Present
- Board Member—Richard Limb (Precinct 4): Absent
- Board Member—Lisa Carter (Precinct 5): Present
- Board Member—Kristina Brown (Precinct 3): Present

### **School District Personnel in Attendance:**

- Dr. Ray Terry Superintendent
- Todd Burke, Business Administrator
- Natalie Dalton, Teachers Association
- William Bartlett, Classified Employee Association
- Jody Heaps, Minersville School Principal
- Karen Johnson, Milford Elementary Principal
- Brady Fails, Beaver High School Principal

Other Patrons Who Attended:

- LeeAnn Dalton, Beaver County Treasurer
- Bruce Williams, Zions Public Finance
- Tammy Pearson, Beaver County Commissioner
- Kari Hofheins
- Penny Yardley
- Kenneth Ure
- Edna LaMarca, SEDC
- Andrea Rorrer, UPEC, University of Utah
- Stacy Eddeings, UPEC, University of Utah
- Alyssa Messina, UPEC, University of Utah

WORK SESSION MEETING (10:00 am)

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A. Welcome: President Dotson

B. Review of Property Tax Appeals & Bankruptcies in the County

Mr. Burke facilitated a discussion and presented the following information:

- Resources and information available online: website resources, best practices, tax commission resources, etc.
- Reviewed the history of other small school districts which have experienced financial problems in past years
- The basic calculation of property tax revenues and rates.  
$$\text{Value} \times \text{Rate} \times \text{Collection \%} = \text{Property Tax Revenues}$$
- District reserves available to sustain current year operations
- Budget strategies to smooth the impact for patrons
  - Minimize on-going costs
  - Prepare for a possible property tax shift should major taxpayers not pay their property taxes in the upcoming year
  - Temporarily delay capital related purchases to save for potential tax appeals which the District might be required to repay

The recommendation made to the group included 1) be cautious, prudent, and wise in spending, and 2) before making any drastic decisions, the District should wait until December to determine the impact of current year property tax collections.

The group's consensus was in agreement with the recommendations.

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING - PRELIMINARY (11:10 am)

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- A. Welcome: President Nick Dotson
- B. Pledge of Allegiance: Dr. Terry
- C. Public Input (none)

## BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS (11:15 pm)

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- A. Information Item - Student Recognitions

Milford High School:

SAGE- Our SAGE test results have improved. English Language Arts is up 44% from what it was last year. Math is up an additional 7% even after growing by 78% the previous year. Science improved by 63% and is now within striking distance of where we were two years ago. While these score do not represent where we hope to be we are pleased that they are headed in the right direction.

ACT- The class of 2017 cohort achieved the highest average composite score we have seen in the past five years or more from a class. The average composite score for the class of 2017 cohort is 19.1 which is within striking distance of the state composite average of 19.8.

Girls Golf - The girls golf team is the 2016 1A State Championship Team. Nicole McDermott placed 2nd in the individual standings. There were several girls who placed in the top 10.

Boys Golf - The boys golf team took 4th place at state. Garreth Mayer took second place in the individual standings. There were several other boys who placed in the top 10.

Baseball/Softball - Both teams had successful seasons. They compete at the 2A level which places them at a bit of a disadvantage. The athletes and coaches worked hard and had a lot of fun. Baseball made a strong run at the end and nearly made the playoffs.

Track - Track always competes well. Emily Barnes set two new state records and was selected as the Utah's Best Preps 1A Female Track Athlete of the Year!

There are many other great things that are happening at MHS. I look forward to seeing what we can accomplish in the coming year.

C. Action Item – Exemptions or Guardianships, Transfers (none)

D. Action Item – Approval of Minutes for Open/Closed Meeting(s) Held on June 7, 2016 and June 21, 2016.

**Motion to Approve Made By:** Carolyn White

**Motion Seconded By:** Lisa Carter

**Board Vote:**

Nicholas Dotson: Aye

Carolyn White: Aye

Richard Limb: Absent

Lisa Carter: Aye

Kristina Brown: Aye

E. Action Item – Travel: Schools

**Motion to Approve Made By:** Kristina Brown

**Motion Seconded By:** Carolyn White

**Board Vote:**

Nicholas Dotson: Aye

Carolyn White: Aye

Richard Limb: Absent

Lisa Carter: Aye

Kristina Brown: Aye

F. Action Item – Travel: Board of Education (none)

**FINANCIAL ITEMS (11:32 am)**

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**A. Action Item - Approval of Warrants, Budgets, Financial Reports, & Capital Expenditures Priority List****Motion to Approve Made By:** Lisa Carter**Motion Seconded By:** Carolyn White**Board Vote:**

Nicholas Dotson: Aye

Carolyn White: Aye

Richard Limb: Absent

Lisa Carter: Aye

Kristina Brown: Aye

**B. Information Item – Bids, RFPs, Current Projects Report – Update**

(Mr. Burke) The District has finalized a decision to replace the Milford High School fire alarm system panel and detection devices. The project is being awarded to Fire Protection Services.

**C. Action Item – Semi-Annual Debt Payment - \$121,259.95****Motion to Approve Made By:** Carolyn White**Motion Seconded By:** Lisa Carter**Board Vote:**

Nicholas Dotson: Aye

Carolyn White: Aye

Richard Limb: Absent

Lisa Carter: Aye

Kristina Brown: Aye

**D. Information Item – AFR Budget Submission to USOE/UBOE**

E. Action Item – Todd Burke, Business Administrator Contract

**Motion to Approve Made By:** Lisa Carter

**Motion Seconded By:** Kristina Brown

**Board Vote:**

Nicholas Dotson: Aye

Carolyn White: Aye

Richard Limb: Absent

Lisa Carter: Aye

Kristina Brown: Aye

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**PERSONNEL ITEMS (11:40 pm)**

A. Action Item - BES Hiring Requests – Afton Moore, Computer Paraprofessional

B. Action Item – District – Letter of Resignation, Tracy Davis, June 30<sup>th</sup>

C. Action Item – Beaver High School Vice Principal & District CTE Director  
(Deferred to Later Discussion)

D. Action Item – Food Service Director, Kami Clarke

E. Action Item – District Technology Specialist, Lane Limb

F. Action Item – BHS Music Teacher, Allyn Lyon

**Motion to Approve Personnel Changes A, B, D, E, F Made By:** Carolyn White

**Motion Seconded By:** Lisa Carter

**Board Vote:**

Nicholas Dotson: Aye

Carolyn White: Aye

Richard Limb: Absent

Lisa Carter: Aye

Kristina Brown: Aye

## SUPPORT SERVICES (11:49 am)

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A. Action Item – Surplus Property (none)

B. Action Item – Transportation School Activity Bus Trips

**Motion to Approve Made By:** Kristina Brown

**Motion Seconded By:** Carolyn White

**Nicholas Dotson:** Aye

**Carolyn White:** Aye

**Richard Limb:** Absent

**Lisa Carter:** Aye

**Kristina Brown:** Aye

## DISCUSSION ITEMS (11:51 am)

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- A. BEA/BSEA (none)
- B. Community Councils/Parent Organizations (none)
- C. Public Input (none)
- D. Superintendent, Dr. Terry
  - High school accreditation
  - Dr. Terry's participation on the UMET board
  - .5 FTE at MES
- E. Business Administrator, Todd Burke
  - Budget report
  - Audit closeout
- F. Board Member Reports

## INSTRUCTION & EDUCATION ITEMS (12:15 pm)

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### A. Information Item – University of Utah Stakeholder Survey (12:15 pm)

The survey was conducted independently of the school district by the University of Utah policy and education research center.

The stakeholder survey is designed to provide valid and reliable information regarding stakeholder perceptions with public education.

The survey does provide individual teacher information, but maintains this information in confidential status.

Beaver Responses – Regional Report:

- 55% of students
- Faculty & Staff – 84%
- 241 – Parent Responses

School report respondents for one school:

- Students, 328
- Parents, 41
- Staff, 11
- Students who knew the principal, 317
- Parents who knew the principal, 37

Verification checks were done to ensure reliability. Checks included IP addresses, time, incomplete surveys, duplicates, responses all most negative responses, etc.

The presenters discussed the difference between public “perception” and “reality” and how this can affect survey results.

The group discussed possible ways the survey could be used as a positive tool for instructional improvement.

The group discussed ways the survey could be improved in the future.



**CLOSED MEETING (1:00 pm)**

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Closed meetings by law may be held for the purpose of discussions related to the Competence and Character of Individuals, or Collective Bargaining, or Property (Purchase and/or Sale), Security, & Evaluation Committee Deliberations for Procurement.

**Purpose of Closed Meeting:** Character & competence of individuals

**Motion to Enter Closed Meeting Made By:** Carolyn White

**Motion Seconded By:** Kristina Brown

**Board Vote:** Unanimous

President Dotson: Aye  
Vice President White: Aye  
Board Member Carter: Aye  
Board Member Brown: Aye  
Board Member Limb: Absent

**Those Who Attended the Meeting:**

Nick Dotson, Board President  
Carolyn White, Board Vice President  
Lisa Carter, Board Member  
Richard Limb, Board Member (absent)  
Kristina Brown, Board Member  
Dr. Ray Terry, Superintendent  
Todd Burke, Business Administrator

**Closed Meeting Ended At:** 1:40 pm

**Motion to End Closed Meeting Made By:** Kristina Brown

**Motion Seconded By:** Carolyn White

**Board Vote:**

President Dotson: Aye  
Vice President White: Aye  
Board Member Carter: Aye  
Board Member Brown: Aye  
Board Member Limb: Absent

## PERSONNEL ITEMS (1:40 pm)

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Action Item – BHS Vice Principal & District CTE Director

**Motion to Approve Made By:** Carolyn White

**Motion Seconded By:** Kristina Brown

**Board Vote:**

Nicholas Dotson: Aye

Carolyn White: Aye

Richard Limb: Absent

Lisa Carter: Aye

Kristina Brown: Aye

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING - ADJOURNMENT (1:50 pm)

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President Dotson adjourned and dismissed the meeting at 1:50 pm. Next Board meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2016.

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Nicholas Dotson, Board of Education President

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Todd S. Burke, Business Administrator